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14 July 1954

Mr. Cyril Clemens, President  
International Mark Twain Society  
Kirkwood, Missouri

Dear Mr. Clemens:

Mr. Dulles has asked me to express his appreciation for your note of 8 July and your invitation to speak at the Mark Twain Birthday Banquet on 30 November.

The nature of his work dictates that Mr. Dulles attempt to keep out of the public eye as much as possible, and therefore, he regretfully must decline your invitation.

I return your enclosure to you as you requested.

Sincerely,

SIGNED

Assistant to the Director

Enclosure

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